



SAFETY & FINE PRECAUTIONS:

UNOFFICIAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY ACTIVITIES

In preparation for Unofficial St. Patrick's Day activities, the Champaign and Urbana Police and Fire Departments are encouraging students, community members and potential visitors to celebrate responsibly. Maintaining order and public safety is of utmost concern for our community. Public safety officials will have zero tolerance when responding to calls of loud parties and disorderly intoxicated subjects. We ask that apartment complexes, participating establishments, party organizers, etc., strictly adhere to and enforce any violations or issues associated with this event.

Things to keep in mind:

- It is illegal to charge for cups, alcoholic drinks, or for admission to a private party. Doing so could result in the host's arrest and multiple fines.
- Those who possess or present false, fraudulent, or altered IDs may face minimum fines of \$330. Both the person in possession of the ID and the person loaning the use of the ID will be reported to the State Liquor Commissioner and will be subject to Secretary of State's penalties, including a 1-year suspension of driving privileges.
- Legal blood alcohol concentration in IL is 0.08%, but drivers under 21 with any trace of alcohol in their systems can lose their driving privileges.
- Individuals can be arrested and face criminal charges for simply allowing or permitting persons under the age of 21 to drink alcohol at their residence or on their property—even if the individual did not directly supply or provide the underage person with alcohol. You can be arrested and charged with a Class A Misdemeanor, face fines of at least \$500, and/or can be charged with a Class 4 Felony if the violation directly or indirectly results in great bodily harm or death to any person.
- Balconies are not designed to hold the weight of an entire party. Each person on any given balcony must have 7 square feet of space. Throwing dangerous materials off balconies can result in a minimum fine of \$235 and up to \$750. If the person cannot be identified, the renters listed on the lease will be cited.
- Both cities have noise ordinances prohibiting loud and raucous noise that can be heard beyond property boundary line. Violations can result in termination of the party and clearing of the event location, as well as fines.

*See back for typical offenses and fine schedule



Fine Schedule

Fines are effective:
Champaign 2015 and Urbana 2015

Violation	Champaign	Urbana	State of Illinois Misdemeanors
Purchasing, possessing, or consuming alcohol by a minor	\$340	\$300	driver's license suspension
Providing alcohol to a minor	\$340	\$300	\$2,500-25,000; 1+ year(s) in jail
Minor in a liquor establishment (under 19 years of age in Champaign and 18 years of age in Urbana)	\$340	\$165	
Unlawful use of ID (or fake ID)	\$340	\$200	
Possession of alcohol on public property or business parking lots	\$195	\$165	
Carrying alcohol out of licensed premise	\$195	\$165	
Purchase or possession of kegs without a permit	\$340	n/a	
Public urination or defecation	\$195	\$165	
Possession of cannabis	\$330	\$300	\$1,500; possible jail time
Fighting	\$245	\$300	
Resisting or obstruction of a police officer	\$245	\$300	\$2,500; possible jail time
Loud music from a house (noise violation)	\$340	\$300	
Selling alcohol without permit	\$340	\$300	